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Also enclosed herewith are copies of a Search Report mailed by the European Patent Office (EPO) on February 18, 2008 for copending EP Application No. 06 002 435 (Publication No. EP1671654); an Examination Report mailed by the EPO on February 1, 2008 for copending EP Application No. 05 729 248.4 (Publication No. EP1732609), and an International Search Report mailed by WIPO on August 7, 2007 for PCT Application No. PCT/EP2006/008858, from which copending Application Serial No. 12/066,460 claims priority.

Applicants would like to make the Examiner aware of copending U.S. Application Serial Nos. 10/567,265; 10/567,266; 11/518,558; 11/518,352; 11/530,264; 11/530,326; 10/506,367; 10/472,002; 11/351,714; 11/078,098; 11/077,906; 11/078,582; 10/527,554; 11/908,325; 10/530,849; and 12/066,460. Applicants request that the Examiner review the file histories for these copending applications, including pending claims in the same.

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